

# STAFF NOTES

Colonel Thomas H. Streicher, Jr., Police Chief June 3, 2003

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#### 1. HAMILTON COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER (HCJC) OVERCROWDING

Effectively immediately, the HCJC will not accept prisoners arrested on Cincinnati Municipal Code (CMC) violations only. A Notice to Appear in court should be issued.

Recites of persons wanted on non-violent misdemeanor cases are permitted, except;

- 1) Cases involving Temporary Protection Orders
- 2) Electronic Monitoring Unit (EMU) cases
- 3) Contempt of Court / Body Attachments
- 4) Any Weapons charges
- 5) Any case number preceded by the letters A,B,F & P

Officers are reminded that all warrants/capias must be confirmed by the Central Warrants Processing Unit.

#### 2. ALCOHOL EVIDENCE ANALYSIS

Effective immediately the City lab will no longer conduct alcohol evidence analysis. The Hamilton Count Coroner's Office Laboratory will conduct the analysis.

Officers submitting alcohol evidence for analysis will complete a Hamilton County Coroner's Laboratory (HCCL) Evidence Submission Form instead of the Form 484, Analytical Report For Liquor Violations. The HCCL Form is currently used for drug evidence analysis requests and is available at all Districts/Sections/Units. There is no other change in the way the evidence is processed.

Procedure 12.720, EVIDENCE; SUBMISSION FOR PHYSCAL ANALYSIS, is being staffed for comment and revision and will include the above change in section A.1.a.d).

#### 3. WIRELESS 911 INFORMATION

A typical 911-wireline-phone call to Police Communications Section (PCS) provides the caller's name and number. Wireless 911 calls are different. In Ohio, Wireless 911 calls do not provide the location and only provide the caller's number some of the time. Due to very stringent legal regulations, PCS can only request that a Wireless Company perform a lookup, which provides subscriber information, in life or death emergencies. Lookups for any other reason, including prank and repeated calls, must be processed and investigated through other measures.

#### 4. CENSUS BUREAU SURVEY

Census Bureau representatives will be conducting two surveys beginning in June, the Survey of Income and Program Participation and the American Housing Survey. Over 100,000 households nationwide will be surveyed. The field representatives conducting the interviews will carry official photo identification cards. Officers should be aware that these personnel will be in our neighborhoods.

#### 5. OUTSIDE TRAINING REIMBURSEMENT

The City of Cincinnati Finance Department requires that the Form 71-S, Statement of Travel Expenses, be submitted on pink paper. Original signatures (not copies) are required on this form when submitted for reimbursement.

#### 6. COLUMBIA PARKWAY CONSTRUCTION

Effective June 2, 2003, Eileen Enabnit, Director of Transportation and Engineering, has authorized the use of the "double fines in work zones" provision as part of the Maintenance of Traffic section for the Columbia Parkway Street Rehab Project. The project will last approximately 45 days and will extend from William Howard Taft Rd to Delta Ave on Columbia Parkway. The double fine in work zones provision is necessary due to the narrow lanes and shoulders and the need to shift traffic from one side of the roadway to the other. This type of project creates serious safety problems for drivers and construction workers.

This authorization includes providing for the necessary signage, and permits the Police Department to issue traffic tickets which double the fine schedule for certain violations that occur within the work zone when workers are present. If any additional information is needed please contact Steve Bailey, City Traffic Engineer.

#### 7. THANK YOU LETTERS

<u>Attached</u> to these Staff Notes are several thank you letters written to the Police Chief for the professionalism displayed by numerous officers in our Department.

#### COMMENDATIONS FOR THE WEEK OF 06/03/03-06/10/03

### POLICE OFFICER ANTHONY UPCHURCH SERGEANT DAN NICKUM

On April 27, 2003 while working an off duty detail at Walgreens located an #1 West Corry Street, Police officer Anthony Upchurch responded to a citizen's report of a person with a gun. As Officer Upchurch approached the side parking lot of Kroger's store he came upon six armed subjects committing an Aggravated Robbery of nine victims laying face down at gunpoint. Officer Upchurch took cover and called for assistance. The subjects after seeing the officer began to flee with two subjects taking cover behind a vehicle.

Sergeant Nickum in plain clothes approached the area in an unmarked police vehicle and came upon a green vehicle fleeing the area. Sergeant Nickum began following the vehicle through the parking lot and observed the occupants throw guns from the vehicle. After the suspect vehicle became stuck in traffic the suspects exited and fled the scene. Sergeant Nickum apprehended one subject without incident.

Officer Upchurch used his covered position to give descriptions and directions to the responding units. Three subjects were taken into custody and were charged with Aggravated Robbery. There were four handguns recovered at the scene. Officer Upchurch showed great bravery at the scene and his actions and tactics were outstanding. His calm response to a rapidly changing situation prevented a single shot from being fired and resulted in no injuries to any officer, victim or suspect.

Sergeant Dan Nickum and Officer Anthony Upchurch are deserving of this commendation for their dedication to duty, keen attention to detail and extreme professionalism in the performance of their duties. Cincinnati Public Schools
Whittier Elementary School
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date: 5/20/03

To: Thomas H. Streicher
Police Chief, City of Cincinnati
310 Ezzard Charles Drive 2<sup>nd</sup> fl
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Fr: Donald Bearghman, Assistant Principal

Re: Eddie Hawkins, School Resource Officer

Please be advised that Officer Eddie Hawkins has been an active part of Whittier School and our surrounding community fulfilling his duties as the S.R.O. assigned to this school.

Officer Hawkins has always been assessible to Whittier's Administration and has responded to parent requests and/or parent concerns with a positive attitude and a willingness to serve. He has set up meetings within the school to discuss community activity when parents have requested it. He has served as the authoritative figure at Whittier's athletic events and has developed a great rapport with the Whittier students.

Officer Hawkins is an excellent example of the type of personnel we need assigned to the school setting and a true professional as a representative of the Cincinnati Police Department.

It has been my pleasure working with Officer Hawkins over the past two years.

Thank you.

C: 8gt. Daniel Daum



## 76th Engineer Construction Battalion



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May 19, 2003

Chief Thomas H. Streicher Jr. Cincinnati Police Department 310 Ezzard Charles Dr. Cincinnati, OH 45214

Dear Chief Streicher

The 76th Engineer Construction Battalion wishes to express our appreciation for the demonstration put on by Officer Tim Pappas and his dog Laser at our 11th Annual Reunion held at the Drawbridge Inn in Northern Kentucky in April 2003. Officer Pappas and his partner, Laser, spent two hours on their day off with our group. It was a fantastic demonstration which left all who saw it highly impressed. In fact, many of the veterans are still talking about it. This was definitely one of the most memorable events at our reunion.

Again, thank you for your support of our veterans group and for enabling the 11th Annual Reunion of the 76th Engineer Construction Battalion to be such a huge success.

Respectfully yours,

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Roy F. Miller Vice-President



# City of Cincinnati



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Robert Wright
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Valerie A. Lemmie City Manager www.rcc.org

Police Officer Shawn George Cincinnati Police Department Youth Services Section 310 Ezzard Charles Drive Cincinnati, OH 45214

**Dear Officer George:** 

Please accept my personal thanks for your contribution during last Friday's National Academy of Public Administrators (NAPA) Conference. This was the first off-site meeting of the NAPA Standing Panel on the Federal System outside of their Washington, D.C. based home. The Conference agenda focused largely on homeland security efforts in the Greater Cincinnati area. Certainly, this focus provided a unique opportunity for us to demonstrate the inter-agency and multi-jurisdictional cooperation under way in our area.

I am truly grateful to all who so generously gave of their time to ensure a successful conference.

Again, thank you for your assistance and support in this effort.

Sincerely,

Edward J. Dadosky

**District Chief** 

Greater Cincinnati MMRS Coordinator/WMD Coordinator

Cincinnati Fire Department

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May 14, 2003

Police Chief Thomas H. Streicher City of Cincinnati Police Department 310 Ezzard Charles Drive Cincinnati, OH 45214

Dear Chief Stretcher,

How pleased I was to see the shift in position on our Cincinnati Police Department now taken by our "city fathers." It proves to me that right always prospers, and the wisdom of God always prevails.

I am always proud to see our uniformed protectors, and was so pleased to see them march from Fountain Square to the Police Memorial for the service honoring our deceased police heroes. Please let them know how much they are appreciated by the law-abiding citizens of our city. I hope you and they never become discouraged by a seeming lack of regard by a few. You are highly valued by most of our people, and I assure you that you are remembered daily in my prayers. I know many others pray for you, too.

May God be with you and protect you in the arduous mission you have of keeping our people and our city safe. May He always bless you.

Sincerely,

Sister Mary Perpetua, RSM

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Sisters of Mercy

McAuley Convent



May 21, 2003

Chief Thomas Streicher Cincinnati Police Department 310 Ezzard Charles Drive Cincinnati, Ohio 45214

Dear Chief Streicher:

This communication is sent to extend my gratitude for your support of the Theodore M. Berry International Friendship Park grand opening ceremony. The event was spectacular, but more so because of the support of your staff. The Color Guard set the tone for the event.

You have been a huge support of Parks, and from one friend to another, I really appreciate everything you contribute.

Again, thank you, and if I can ever be of assistance to you, please don't hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely,

Director of Parks



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May 15, 2003

Colonel Thomas H. Streicher, Jr. Cincinnati Police Department 310 Ezzard Charles Drive Cincinnati, OH 45214

Dear Chief Streicher,

I would like to personally commend a member of your department who assisted one of my officers during a recent violent confrontation. On May 12, 2003 a Colerain Township police officer was dispatched to the Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurant at 8261 Colerain Avenue to investigate a complaint regarding a disgruntled, intoxicated employee who was refusing to leave. The officer confronted the subject and asked him to leave. The subject refused and began verbally abusing the officer in front of customers. The subject was told he was under arrest and he was escorted outside away from the customers. Once outside, the subject immediately pushed the officer against the building. The officer was able to recover and pinned the subject against the wall to gain control. Although he was unable to reach his radio to call for assistance he was able to activate the emergency button as he continued to hold onto the subject. Off-duty Officer

### **JOHN E. MERCADO, P706**

was driving by the restaurant and saw the subject push the officer. He immediately stopped his personal vehicle to assist the officer. The subject was eventually handcuffed with Officer Mercado's help as the man continued to flail his arms and strike out repeatedly at both officers.

I commend Officer Mercado for his dedication to duty and commitment to the law enforcement brotherhood. Officer Mercado risked injury to himself to assist an officer from another jurisdiction he didn't know. I know you are extremely proud to have officers of this caliber in your organization. Please extend my appreciation to Officer Mercado for his actions.

Respectfully,

Steven J. Sarver, CLEE

Chief of Police